



## Crop Progress and Condition

**Week Ending October 29, 2006**

### Agricultural Summary

Row crop harvesting was again limited by rainfall over most of the State during the past week, as only 3.2 **days** were **suitable for fieldwork**. **Topsoil moisture** supplies showed some improvement at 18 percent very short, 28 percent short, 48 percent adequate, and 6 percent surplus. A large majority of topsoil moisture ratings remain short to very short in the northeast, west-central, central and southwest districts, while the southeast district averages 55 percent surplus.

### Field Crops Report

The **corn** harvest is 91 percent complete, a minor gain from a week earlier and 1 day behind last year but still 2 days ahead of the 5-year average. Virtually any corn remaining to be harvested is in the northern third of the State where completion rates have reached 72 percent in the northwest district, 91 percent north-central and 92 percent in the northeast. Seventy-one percent of the **soybean** crop is harvested, 4 days behind last year but 1 day ahead of the 70 percent average. Harvest is most advanced in the central and northeast districts at 80 and 83 percent, respectively, while the southwest at 58 percent and the south-central at 42 percent are the least advanced. Eighty-five percent of the **sorghum** crop has been harvested, 1 day ahead of last year and 4 days ahead of normal. Ninety-seven percent of the **rice** crop has been harvested, 6 days behind last year's early harvest but 5 days ahead of normal. **Cotton** harvesting, at 54 percent complete, is over 2 weeks behind last year and 10 days behind the 5-year average, as substantial rainfall of the past 2 weeks in the Bootheel sharply limited progress. **Winter wheat** seeding is 75 percent complete, 3 days behind last year but 4 days ahead of average. Wheat emergence of 51 percent is slightly behind last year but 4 days ahead of the 5-year average. Condition of the crop is rated 1 percent very poor, 8 percent poor, 39 percent fair, 51 percent good, and 1 percent excellent, a slight improvement for most of the State but a decline in condition for the Bootheel where wheat has suffered from excess moisture.

### Pasture & Livestock

**Pasture** condition is reported as 34 percent very poor, 22 percent poor, 28 percent fair, 15 percent good, and 1 percent excellent, similar to a week earlier. Rainfall of the past 2 weeks has been of some help to pastures but the benefits have been limited by the cool weather and coming so late in the season. Many cattle producers are concerned about hay supplies for winter, as well as water levels still being low in stock ponds.

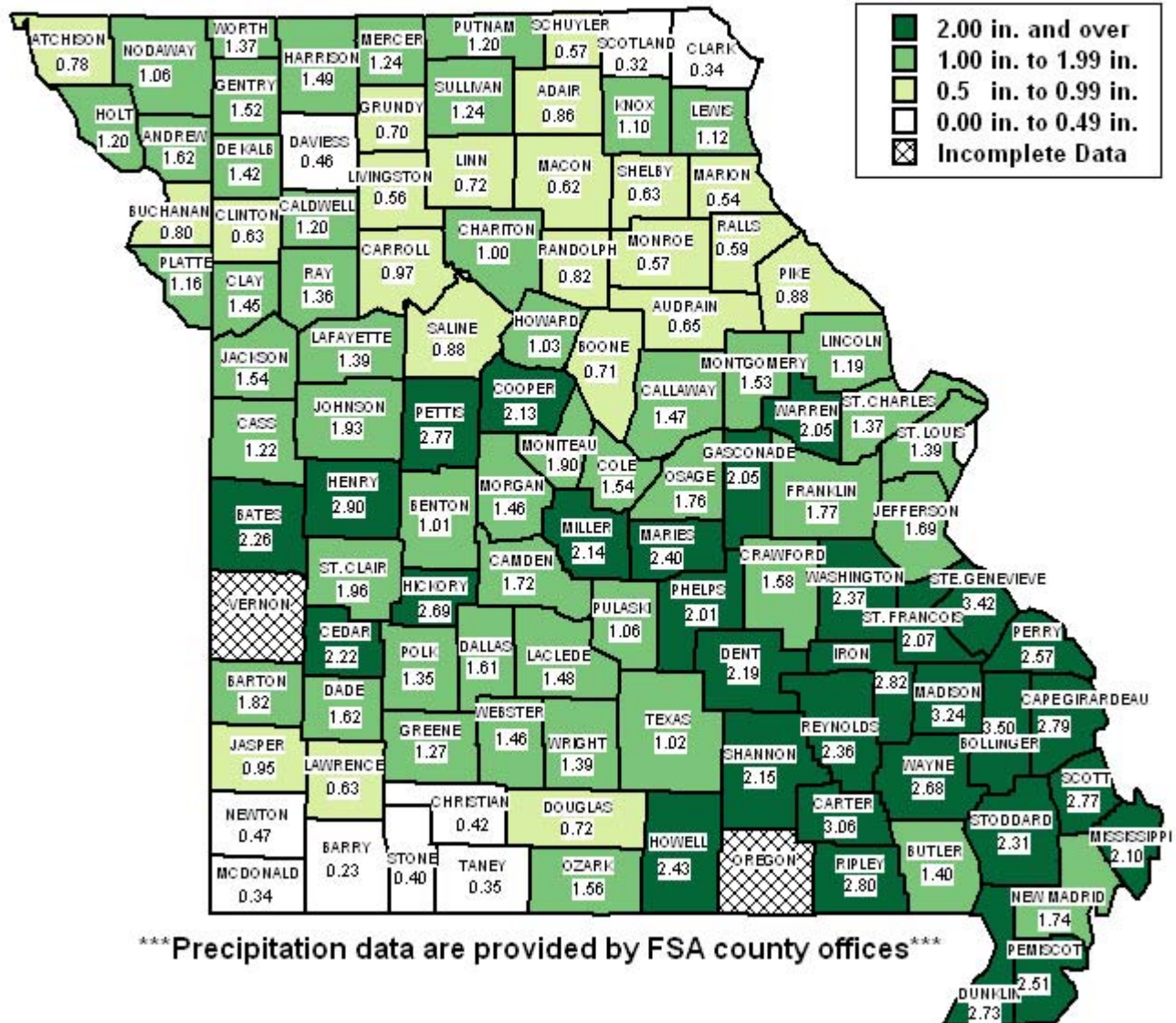
### Weather Summary

**Temperatures** during the past week were 6 to 10 degrees below normal, with most areas having lows which averaged well below the freezing mark except for the Bootheel which fell to the low 30's. **Rainfall** averaged 1.52 inches for the week, varying by area from less than 1 inch in the north-central, northeast and southwest districts to nearly 2 inches or more in the west-central, east-central, south-central and southeast districts. Counties receiving over 3 inches included Sainte Genevieve, Bollinger, Carter and Madison.

# District Summaries As Of October 29, 2006

	Missouri	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE
Days Suitable For Fieldwork										
This Year	3.2	3.0	2.2	3.5	2.7	3.6	3.6	5.3	3.3	2.6
Last Year	6.4	6.1	6.1	6.4	6.0	6.3	6.3	7.0	6.7	7.0
Topsoil Moisture Supply										
Very Short	18	5	5	23	36	22	9	61	12	0
Short	28	17	17	42	41	47	32	31	13	0
Adequate	48	74	74	35	23	31	52	8	72	45
Surplus	6	4	4	0	0	0	7	0	3	55
Corn Harvested, Percent										
This Year	91	72	91	92	100	99	99	100	99	100
Last Year	92	81	91	91	99	98	98	100	100	100
Normal	89									
Soybeans Harvested, Percent										
This Year	71	66	76	83	65	80	78	58	42	63
Last Year	80	75	79	84	82	79	75	73	74	85
Normal	70									
Sorghum Harvested, Percent										
This Year	85	82	65	80	99	79	79	98	96	99
Last Year	84	78	82	78	97	74	76	96	99	99
Normal	81									
Winter Wheat Planted, Percent										
This Year	75	56	78	81	68	71	84	90	85	68
Last Year	82	77	70	86	72	68	78	87	74	89
Normal	68									
Winter Wheat Emerged, Percent										
This Year	51	35	61	54	50	47	62	31	76	58
Last Year	54	38	41	59	47	33	56	49	51	66
Normal	47									
Winter Wheat Condition										
Very Poor	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	5	2
Poor	8	1	4	6	0	4	2	0	5	23
Fair	39	59	21	36	69	47	37	28	3	35
Good	51	35	66	57	31	49	60	72	87	39
Excellent	1	5	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Pasture Condition										
Very Poor	34	3	8	37	55	43	18	85	20	0
Poor	22	9	15	41	26	24	38	14	24	20
Fair	28	46	49	19	19	27	42	1	25	34
Good	15	39	26	2	0	6	2	0	29	42
Excellent	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	4
Average Precipitation	1.52	1.17	0.88	0.67	1.96	1.66	1.93	0.81	2.12	2.29

# Precipitation for Week Ending October 29, 2006



# Precipitation for Previous Four Weeks Ending October 29, 2006

